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Application of Ralf Reiner Schumann et al.

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For THERAPEUTIC AGENT FOR THE TREATMENT OF SEPTICAEMIA,
ITS PREPARATION AND USE

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Commissioner of Patents
Washington DC 20231

Sir:

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the Office letter mailed on August 9, 2002, please amend the claims as follows:

Delete claims 19-21.

Add the following claims:

-- 24. A process for treating septicemia caused by gram-negative or by gram-positive bacteria, which comprises administering to a patient in need therefor an agent containing as the active component protein binding liposacharide (LBP), its variants, mutants or hybrid proteins.--

-- 25. The process of claim 24, wherein said bacteria are gram negative bacteria.--

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